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Consular Reform.

While not so important as other measures now before congress, the senate consular bill, which has passed the house with some amendments and now awaits the concurrence of the senate, marks a step forward in the improvement of our commercial relations with other countries. The consular service, as distinguished from the diplomatic service, has to do with our trade interests with foreign nations. The investigations and reports of consuls are very helpful to the mercantile interests of the country they represent. If intelligently made, they put business men in touch with the needs of customers abroad. In spite of all the criticisms of American consuls, some of them merited, it is, nevertheless a fact that our consular service is the best in the world, as shown by both British and German testimony, the investigations and reports of our consuls being more thorough than those of the consuls of other countries. Still there is room for improvement and there must be constant advance if we are to hold the lead. By the provisions of the pending bill, the service has been classified; all fees are to be turned into the treasury of the United States; salaries have been raised in some cases to compensate consuls for giving up their fees; commercial agents have been abolished; all consular officers receiving one thousand dollars or more a year must be American citizens; and a system of inspection of consulates by agents of the department has been provided.

The bill as originally reported to the senate gave the President authority to assign the members of each class or grade to duty at such posts as the interests of the service required, instead of the appointments being made, as at present, to specific posts. This would have required admission to the service through the lower grades and promotion to the higher. To this provision there was objection in both the senate and the house. The English service is classified as was proposed in this bill. Yet even the English admit that yet better results from our consular service as now constituted than they do from theirs. This fact, together with opposition in both parties to putting the consular service fully under the civil service rules, prevented the adoption of this provision.

The consular bill, if not all that was hoped for by the department, has enough merit in it for congratulation. A system of inspection will stimulate activity at consulates, weed out the inefficient and bring to the attention of the department the services of those consuls whose aptitude and application are deserving of recognition. The President has now the constitutional right to transfer and promote to fill vacancies. With the reports of inspectors before him, the capable representative at a foreign port may reasonably hope that the executive will reward his services as opportunity occurs.

The fee system has no place in our government and least of all in the consular service. Adequate salaries should

be paid to all public servants without any inducement to enlarge their compensation by taking advantage of those requiring their services.

Not a small number of our consulates are run by foreigners who act as deputies for the men appointed to these positions. This is especially true where the consul has no fitness for the office. The requirement, therefore, that all consular officers receiving a thousand dollars or more salary per annum shall be American citizens is a move in the right direction.

With the examination now required for admission to the consular service, which the department apparently has power to enlarge, there should be within the next few years a marked improvement in this service if the consular bill becomes a law, as now seems probable. The consular service has much to do with business interests and should be run on business principles. Experience counts and to get trained men there must be opportunity to remain in the service and secure promotion for efficiency.

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La Salle Theater, Chicago.

In Chicago plays come and go but "The Umpire" seems likely to go on forever at the La Salle. This pleasing musical comedy will be presented for the two hundredth time April 6. A handsome souvenir will be given each woman attending that performance. The souvenirs distributed on previous occasions have been much sought after. Those for the second century mark will be both useful and ornamental.

There is no let up to "The Umpire." The business continues to the entire satisfaction of the management. The "house full" sign is constantly displayed in the box office window and enough people are turned away to fill the house twice over. The piece has taken Chicago by storm and is a thoroughly modern and up to date play.

Cecil Lean has the leading comedy role in the play. He is droll and amusing. He is surrounded by an excellent company of players. Principally among these:—Florence Holbrook, also Olive Vail, Frances Kennedy, Margaret MacDonald, Thomas Cameron, William Robinson, Arthur Sanders, Carleton King, Johnny Fogarty and Phrynette Ogden.

In comparison with the seating capacity the La Salle theater is doing more business than any other theater in Chicago. It is conceded that "The Umpire" will set a new mark for length of run in the "windy city." It is probable that the piece will remain at the La Salle the remainder of the season.

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Postmaster General Cortelyou has announced the promotion of George S. Paul, of Ohio, to the position of appointment clerk of the postoffice department. Mr. Paul has for the past ten years been a classified employee of the government, serving in both the war and postoffice departments.

The St. Petersburg police, Tuesday, confiscated the Polar Star, a weekly paper, published by Peter Struve, former editor of the Osvobodnitsa (emancipation), who was summoned to St. Petersburg from Paris, where he was in exile, by Count Witte, in November last, and who is a strong upholder of the liberal policy.

Through a process of elimination the police of Minneapolis now know the names of the eight men suspected of murdering last week the six Macedonians in Minneapolis. Two of the suspects are believed to have gone east, the remaining six are known to be somewhere in the mining regions of northern Minnesota.

Secretary of the Navy Bonaparte declares he will give immediate attention to the charges of hazing now pending against midshipmen as it is imperative that they be disposed of. In the event that the cases be not dropped a number of midshipmen must be dismissed. Punishment must be under the law in force at the time the action was begun against the men.

Ohio Assembly Adjourns.

Columbus, O., April 2.—The Ohio general assembly will adjourn today until 1908, the terms of the members having been extended as a result of the biennial election amendment to three years. The present general assembly, backed by the reform sentiment which swept away party lines in the last election, has enacted many reform measures. Among these are the laws providing for two cent passenger fares; creating a state railroad commission, and providing for the regulation of freight rates; wiping out the fee system for the payment of county officers, and putting them on a salary basis; abolishing prison contract labor, and repealing the inheritance tax law. The salary tax has been increased from \$250 to \$1,000; local municipal option by petition, instead of election, has been provided, and a search and seizure law enacted to aid the enforcement of the local option laws. An important measure in the interest of public morals, which was put through in the final rush of legislation, prohibits under severe penalties, the posting of indecent or offensive pictures on bill boards.

Victim of a Peculiar Accident.

Dowagiac, Mich., April 2.—While riding on a pair of bobs at Pipestone Frank Wiest's foot was caught in a wire loop which was sticking up in the road. His leg was drawn down under the bobs and before the horses could be stopped his ankle was dislocated and his leg broken below the knee.

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SUMMARY OF NEWS

Happenings of the World in the Last Week Told in Brief Paragraphs.

The plant of the Falls River & Machine Co. of Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio, was almost totally destroyed by fire Monday night, throwing 200 hundred people out of employment. The loss is estimated at \$100,000.

Members of the Chicago board of trade, by a vote of 556 to 147, Monday, adopted the rule prohibiting its members from trading on foreign exchanges.

Charles C. May, formerly president of the Big Bend National bank, of Davenport, Wash., Monday, was sentenced to serve five years in the United States penitentiary at McNeill's Island for making false reports to the controller of the currency and also of juggling the funds of depositors.

The monthly statement of the government receipts and expenditures shows that for the month of March, 1906, the total receipts were \$59,631,169 and the expenditures \$45,769,569, leaving a surplus of \$13,861,600.

Representative Cooper, of Wisconsin, introduced a bill into congress Monday granting United States citizenship to the inhabitants of Porto Rico. It is understood Gov. Winthrop is to personally advocate the passage of this bill.

It is rumored that Emperor Nicholas's Easter gift to his people will be a proclamation granting general amnesty to political prisoners. In the midst of the present repression, however, it is difficult to understand how it is possible to open the doors of every overcrowded prison.

During the year 1904, 50,374 persons emigrated from the United Kingdom to Canada, as declared settlers, compared with 11,608 in 1898.

St. Andrews university, in Glasgow, Scotland, Tuesday, conferred the degree of doctor of laws on Miss Agnes Irwin, dean of Radcliffe college, Cambridge, Mass.

After a trial lasting several days, the jury in the case of Captain Aaron Wagoner, former cashier of the Akron (Ohio) Savings bank, the accounts of which he is charged with falsifying in his reports, failed to agree and was discharged by the court Tuesday afternoon.

On account of the illness of Attorney-General Hadley, of Missouri, the hearing of the ouster suit against the Republic, the Water-Pierce and the Standard Oil companies, set for April 5 in St. Louis, has been postponed until April 12. General Hadley's condition is regarded as improved.

Women as Well as Men Are Made Miserable by Kidney Trouble.

Kidney trouble preys upon the mind, discourages ambition, beauty, vigor and cheerfulness soon disappear when the kidneys are out of order or diseased.

Kidney trouble has become so prevalent that it is not uncommon for a child to be born afflicted with weak kidneys. If the child urinates too often, if the urine scalds the flesh or if, when the child reaches an age when it should be able to control the passage, it is yet afflicted with bed-wetting, depend upon it, the cause of the difficulty is kidney trouble, and the first step should be towards the treatment of these important organs. This unpleasant trouble is due to a diseased condition of the kidneys and bladder and not to a habit as most people suppose.

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Some Redoubt.

"Then the doctor didn't succeed in reducing my weight?"

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Mines of Mammoth Bones.

At some time in the distant past a remarkable state of affairs existed in what are now the bleak arctic regions of Siberia. At the time of which we speak the climate must have been comparatively mild, for thousands and hundreds of thousands of huge animals, mostly of the elephant type, roamed up and down the valleys of what are now frozen polar rivers. In the midst of their innocent happiness a sudden and awful change came. Some philosophers say that the earth "fell out of balance" and tilted thousands of miles to the north. Whatever the cause, fierce winter almost instantly swept over the land of the mastodon and the mammoth and overwhelmed the great beasts in huge snowdrifts, from which they could not extricate themselves. In the course of time these huge banks of snow were transformed into great mountains of ice, and today specimens of the great hairy mammoth may be found that are as fresh as when they were frozen in, thousands of years ago. In some places along the Lena river the bluffs are perfect mines of mammoth bones.

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A Famous Dwarf.

Geoffrey Hudson, the famous dwarf of Charles I., was introduced at court during the festivities attending the coronation. By an odd conceit he was concealed in a cold pie, the crust of which being removed disclosed the dwarf fully dressed and making his bow to the king and queen. At the age of twenty he was eighteen inches high, but before attaining the age of thirty he grew several inches additional. Geoffrey, like most dwarfs, was of limited intelligence, but of intense vanity and large self-conceit. It is asserted by many scientific authorities that this is a characteristic of dwarfs.

The Change That Was Wrought.
The little man was explaining to his audience the benefits of physical culture. "Three years ago," he said, "I was a miserable wreck. Now, what do you suppose brought about this great change in me?" "What change?" said a voice from the audience. There was a succession of loud smiles, and some persons thought to see him collapse. But the little man was not to be put out. "Will the gentleman who asked 'What change?' kindly stop here?" he asked suavely. "I shall then be better able to explain. That's right!" Then, grabbing the witty gentleman by the neck: "When I first took up physical culture I could not even lift a little man. Now (smiling action to words) I can throw one about like a bundle of rags." And finally he flung the interrupter half a dozen yards along the floor. "I trust, gentlemen, that you will see the force of my argument, and that I have not hurt this gentleman's feelings by my explanation." There were no more interruptions.

Saints and Disease.

The good St. Anthony owes scarcely more of his fame, probably, to his temptations than to the association of his name in popular speech with a disease. Erysipelas, known as the "sacred fire" before the eleventh century, owes its later name of "St. Anthony's fire" to the tradition that those who invoked the saint during a terrible epidemic of that time were cured. A complete list of complaints thus linked with the names of saints would be very curious. Neuralgia in the jaw is St. Apollonia's disease, sore throat or quinsy St. Blaise's, colic St. Erasmus', cancer St. Giles' and hydrophobia St. Hubert's. Epilepsy is either St. Aven-tin's disease or St. Mathurin's or St. John's evil. Insanity is St. Dymphna's disease and drunkenness St. Martin's evil.—London Chronicle.

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